

Method of Drying Potatoes.
Dried potatoes, a new product, evolved by the South Carolina experiment station. The potatoes are boiled, peeled and evaporated in a canner and will remain in perfect condition for years. The preserved potato becomes fit for eating after being soaked in warm water for an hour. An acre of potatoes yielded 357 bushels, which made 105 bushels of the dried product, nearly a pound to 3 1/2 pounds of the raw product.

A Moderate Luncheon.
A Washington correspondent who is new in the business heard Senator Alger of Michigan invite Burrows, his colleague, to luncheon the other day. The latter accepted with such alacrity that the correspondent thought the two millionaires were accustomed to indulge in elaborate luncheons. They lunched at the Senate restaurant. It was indeed an elaborate function. This was the menu: Senator Burrows—One spoonful of hominy. One glass of milk. Senator Alger—One cup of tea. One dish of tapioca pudding.—Chicago Chronicle.

The Conquest of Arid America.
Is the title of one of the most fascinating books ever written about the wonderful development and boundless resources of the West. It is just such a book as every western man ought to read himself and then send to his friends in the East. Recognizing its value, permission was obtained from the author and his publishers to reprint several of its most striking chapters, such as "The Blessing of Aridity," "The New Colorado," etc. This fifty-page pamphlet, with other literature about the Sunny San Luis Valley, will be sent free to any address upon receipt of four cents in stamps to cover postage. ZEPH. CHAS. FELT, 616 Majestic Building, Denver, Colo.

Marriage by Wholesale.
At Armstrong, Missouri, recently the Rev. N. B. Naylor married five couples all at once. The brides and bridegrooms formed a circle around the minister and with clasped hands took the vows. They belonged to a matrimonial club and had agreed to be married at the same time and by the same minister.

In Winter Use Allen's Foot-Ease.
A powder. Your feet feel uncomfortable, nervous and often cold and damp. If you have sweating, sore feet or tight shoes, try Allen's Foot-Ease. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores, 25 cents. Sample sent free. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

The girls in Colorado and Wyoming, where women vote, believe in the initiative and referendum. They want a chap to take the initiative so that they can refer him to "papa."

If smoking interferes with your work, "quit working" and smoke Baxter's Bullhead—5-cent cigar.

Kicker—Somebody calls death the "great leveler." Bicker—What bosh! It makes some of us go up and others go down.

If you felt a tanner he is liable to tan your pelt.

Rheumatism Positively Cured.
A simple remedy which renders the disease impossible, and as unfailing as fate in its cure. Send at once 25 cents for recipe. Prescription Co., Box 25, Denver.

Sufferer—I can't stand it any longer; the dentist has got to pull this tooth. Christian Scientist—Your tooth doesn't ache. It's only your imagination. Sufferer—Then I'll have him pull my imagination.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.
Take Laxative Brome Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure, 25c.

"Opportunity knocks once at every door," but sometimes it seems as if she took pains to call when a fellow is out.

Bullhead 5-cent cigar. If you have smoked one you know how good they are. If you have not, try one.

"Isn't your little sister very small for her age?" "She's just my half sister."

Dyeing is as easy as washing when PUTNAM FADELESS DYES are used.

There are many ways of acquiring short hand, but monkeying with a buzz saw is probably as quick as any of them.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.
For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, cures wind colic, 25c a bottle.

First Eskimo—What time is it? Second Eskimo—Two weeks before daylight.

Pink's Cure cannot be too highly spoken of as a cough cure.—J. W. O'Brien, 222 Third Ave., N., Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 6, 1903.

Bill—I feel like dere's a fight going on in my stomach. Sykes—No wonder. You've been eatin' scraps fer a week.

It's because of their true merit that so many smokers prefer Baxter's Bullhead 5-cent cigar.

There has never been a reduction in the wages of sin.

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GOOD NEWS FOR HER.

Ex-Congressman John Allen Tells of a Humorous Experience.

Ex-Congressman John Allen tells this one about a widow in his district who desired a position in the Agricultural department:

"There was no vacancy at that time," said he, "and I was consequently compelled to advise my constituent that I could do nothing for her until later. But she persisted in her efforts to obtain a position, and for two weeks thereafter met me at every turn. One morning I had just finished breakfast when I was told by the servant that she was awaiting me in the reception hall. So I assumed as pleasant a demeanor as possible, and, entering the room, said in a sympathetic voice:

"Well, my good woman, what news?"

"Good news," she said; "good news, Mr. Allen."

"Well, I said, 'I'm glad to hear that. And what is the good news?'"

"Oh," she said, "Good news, Mr. Allen, good news; a woman in the Agricultural department died yesterday!"

HE TOOK NO CHANCES.

Point of a Story Immediately Perceived by Business Man.

"I should be pleased to exchange cards with you, Mr. Barrow," said Charles Willips, extending his. They had met for the first time. "I'm sorry I have no cards with me," said Barrow. "Allow me to write my address in your memorandum book." "Do you know that it is a very dangerous thing to do?" Willips remarked. "It cost me \$240 once. I had a habit of carrying no cards and signing my name in a new friend's note book, just as you are about to do in mine, always on a blank page. One day, after a convivial evening, I was presented with an I O U for that sum duly signed by myself. It was impossible to dispute it. I had to pay up. But I have never since been so free with my autograph." "By George, I never thought of that," cried Barrow. "Suppose you write my name down your self."

Pleasing Old English Custom.

Persons aspiring to become bailiffs at Alnwick, in Northumberland, England, have to go through a curious and somewhat unpleasant ordeal. Before the election the various candidates ride up in a body to a horse pond, and there, dismounting their steeds, plunge into the water and struggle as best they may to the other side. The music of a brass band cheers them during their struggles in the dirty water. This ancient custom dates from the time of King John, who once paid a visit to the town in 1210 and found no fitting welcome prepared for him. The blame of this state of unpreparedness was fastened on the luckless bailiffs, who were promptly thrown into the horse pond by royal command.

Scotch Joke.

A Scotch clergyman was addressing his congregation in a high pitched monotonous voice, when he was interrupted by the howls of a dog in the back part of the church. He waited long enough for the dog to be taken out, and made up his mind he would see the dog's owner, whom he knew, and take him to task for bringing the animal into the sacred precincts. After the services were over he met the man. "Sandy," said he, "what do you mean by bringing your dog into church? Why, his howling and whining were scandalous." "Domine," retorted Sandy, "it was na the beast's fault. I call you to witness ye began it yerself."

The Policeman's Complaint.

Last winter Miss Alice Roosevelt was compelled by her delicate health to decline many social invitations, but this season she is making up for lost time. The other morning about 2 o'clock a solitary policeman was parading near the west gate of the white house. The rain was coming down in torrents and to cheer himself the officer was humming, "Alice, Where Art Thou?" A passer-by hailed him. "Oh, Miss Alice is out again," said the policeman, "and I have to wait until she comes home, for this gate can never be closed till all the family are in the house. More's the pity, she's out nearly every night now."

A God-Fearing Sheriff.

F. N. Brown, the retiring sheriff of Republic county, Kansas, publishes a card thanking "the people who have retained me in office for a space of five years." Mr. Brown also duly thanks Providence for certain favors, using the following language: "In the discharge of my dangerous duties of this office I want to make this acknowledgment, that I have always been protected and guided by a kind and loving God and when dressed in his armor there is absolutely no loop-holes for bullets. Praise his name, and again I say thank you."

A GOODLY SEA YARN.

Why Perkins Was Ridiculed for Poor Marksmanship.

It seems that one day the captain of the tug that was towing the target during artillery practice felt moved to take a smoke. After filling his pipe he discovered that he had no matches and so signaled the officer in command of a twelve-inch gun. The officer turned to a hardened old artilleryman and inquired:

"Perkins, can you give the gentleman a light?"

Perkins 'lowed he could and squinted through the telescope. After a careful estimate of the rate of speed of the tug and the strength of the wind Perkins yanked the lanyard and sent a twelve-inch solid shot hurtling through the atmosphere with such consummate skill that it passed just close enough so that the metal, heated to incandescence by the friction of the air, set the tobacco in the captain's pipe on fire. But alas for Perkins! He had forgotten about the wave motion. The tug rose upon a wave just in time to bring that pipe within the suction caused by the passage of the shot. Result, some of the burning tobacco was blown into the captain's eyes, wounding his feelings so that he immediately headed for shore and refused to take the targets out again that day. Whereupon the officer in charge of the drill was so furious that he summoned a drumhead court-martial and had Perkins sent to the doghouse for thirty days for disgraceful incompetence. As a bit of circumstantial evidence in corroboration of this interesting anecdote Perkins was pointed out, an actual inmate of the guardhouse, his eyes red and swollen. His comrades said he had been weeping over his poor marksmanship.—Chicago Chronicle.

Weggie—Willie's got a great pull these days. Wallie—Weally? Weggie—Yes; he's always pulling at his new mustache.

Many School Children Are Sickly.
Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, break up Colds in 24 hours, cure Feverishness, Headache, Stomach Troubles, Teething Disorders and Destroy Worms. At all druggists', 25c. Sample mailed free. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

When a man or woman has "a part" it is generally expected that there is more coming.

"Didn't you tell me that Jones was a very intelligent man?" "Certainly he is." "Then how does it happen that he is serving on a jury?"

NOT A FISH STORY.

Baxter's Bullhead cigar is as good a 50 smoke as you can find.

What's the matter, Mr. Dumpe? "The doctor says I'll die if I don't diet."

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Nodd—I took so much last night that I don't remember a thing I said. Todd—That's nothing. I don't remember a thing my wife said.

"Mild?" Well, I should say so—Baxter's Bullhead 5c cigar. Smoke as many as you like; they won't hurt you.

A common example of litter-ary success is where a pig picks up a living from his pen.

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Rheumatism
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SISTERS OF CHARITY

RELY ON PE-RU-NA TO FIGHT CATARRH, COUGHS, COLDS AND GRIP.



SISTER BEATRIX.
A letter recently received by Dr. Hartman from Sister Beatrix, 410 W. 30th street, New York, reads as follows:

Dr. S. B. Hartman, Columbus, Ohio:
Dear Sir:—"I cannot say too much in praise of Peruna. Eight bottles of it cured me of catarrh of the lungs of four years standing, and I would not have been without it for anything. It helped several Sisters of Coughs and colds and I have yet to find one case of catarrh that it does not cure."
SISTER BEATRIX.

Interesting Letters from Catholic Institutions.

In every country of the civilized world the Sisters of Charity are known. Not only do they minister to the spiritual and intellectual needs of the charges committed to their care, but they also minister to their bodily needs. With so many children to take care of and to protect from climate and disease, these wise and prudent sisters have found Peruna a never-failing safeguard.

Dr. Hartman receives many letters from Catholic Sisters from all over the United States. A recommendation recently received from a Catholic institution in Detroit, Mich., reads as follows:
Dr. S. B. Hartman, Columbus, Ohio:
Dear Sir:—"The young girl who used

the Peruna was suffering from laryngitis, and loss of voice. The result of the treatment was most satisfactory. She found great relief, and after further use of the medicine we hope to be able to say she is entirely cured."—Sisters of Charity.

This young girl was under the care of the Sisters of Charity and used Peruna for catarrh of the throat, with good results as the above letter testifies.

From a Catholic institution in Central Ohio comes the following recommendation from the Sister Superior.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

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